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PSC SETS INTERVENTION DEADLINE IN EMPIRE DISTRICT ELECTRIC REQUEST

JEFFERSON CITY—The Empire District Electric Company (Empire) has filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission seeking Commission authority to join the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (SPP).

Empire requests the Commission issue an order that, among other things: a) authorizes Empire to transfer functional control of certain transmission facilities to SPP; b) acknowledges that the Commission will include in Empire's Commission jurisdictional rates all Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)-approved costs and fees under the SPP Regional Transmission Organization tariff assessed against and paid by Empire, and the prudently incurred costs of participating in the SPP.

Applications to intervene and participate in this case must be filed on or before November 18, 2005, with the Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. Copies of the application should be sent to: Dean L. Cooper, Brydon, Swearingen & England, P.C., 312 East Capitol Avenue, P.O. Box 456, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102; Karl Zobrist and Roger W. Steiner, Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP, 4520 Main Street, Suite 1100, Kansas City, Missouri 64111; Paul A. Boudreau, Brydon, Swearingen & England, P.C., 312 East Capitol Avenue, P.O. Box 456, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102; David C. Linton, David C. Linton, L.L.C., 424 Summer Top Lane, Fenton, Missouri 63026; and the Office of the Public Counsel, Governor Office Building, 220 Madison Street, Suite 650, P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. The Office of the Public Counsel is a separate state agency representing the general public in matters before the Public Service Commission.

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